

Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed federal activity in the City of Newport News, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

February 9, 2017 to March 6, 2017

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a proposed federal action to determine whether it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program established pursuant to the federal Coastal Zone Management Act. The Virginia CZM Program seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal zone.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) proposes to provide mortgage insurance to National Housing Partners LP, J. Denbigh Associates Inc. (applicant) under Section 223(f) of the National Housing Act to refinance the mortgage on Kings Ridge, a multifamily apartment complex located at 401 Jester Court in the City of Newport News. The Section 223(f) Program insures mortgage loans to facilitate the purchase or refinancing of existing multifamily rental housing. Kings Ridge Apartments consists of 23 two-story residential buildings, a one-story office building (with a maintenance shop and laundry room), one maintenance storage shed, one outdoor swimming pool, one playground, surface-level asphalt paved parking/drive areas, and landscaping. The complex contains a total of 182 apartment units situated on approximately 13.04 acres of land. Proposed exterior renovations include the installation of an estimated 200 linear feet of sidewalk at various locations throughout the site. The sidewalks will be 36 inches wide and 4 inches deep with a base of 1 to 2 inches. Minor landscaping will occur where landscaping is disturbed as a result of the sidewalk work. HUD has submitted a Federal Consistency Determination that finds the proposed action consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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